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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 4, 2002, Applicants respond to the Examiner's comments using the paragraph numbering of the office action.

REMARKS

4. Claims 1-2, 5-6 and 15 stand rejected as obvious over Skiena in view of Futreal in further view of Cantor. Skiena and Futreal are applied as in previous office actions. Futreal is cited as teaching use of less than a complete array of probes to analyze a target sequence. The Examiner says one would have been motivated to combine Cantor with the other references for the benefit of analyzing very rare target sequences where nonspecific hybridization is not expected to be a problem. The Examiner says that applicants' arguments are moot in view of the new ground of rejection and does not address them. This rejection is respectfully traversed.